

QUESTIONS RELATING TO THE TEACHING PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT (TPA)

1. In Ryan programs, it is relatively easy to isolate student teaching from the rest of the program. Under SB 2042, what will constitute a “Complete program except for Student Teaching” for the SB 57 short track internship route? How does the TPA fit into the law and to program completion without student teaching?

The Teaching Performance Assessment will be taken by the candidate during the internship experience. SB 57 candidates must be employed and admitted to the Intern program.

2. Will CCTC develop a form that IHE’s may use to track the dates, grades, etc for the TPA?

Yes, the CCTC will make sample forms available at a later date that may be used for tracking and maintaining TPA information. The CCTC will be preparing a Guidebook for the field that will contain this and other helpful TPA information.

3. How many years must the TPA materials be retained for each candidate? Will CCTC have a need to review TPA information such as during an accreditation visit?

The program sponsor will need to maintain the TPA information on site for accreditation purposes. TPA data storage beyond the accreditation cycle is subject to the regular policies of the program sponsor for retention of records.

4. Will they need to send TPA data such as passing scores and dates to CCTC?

The program sponsor will need to maintain the TPA information on site for accreditation purposes. The date of passing of the TPA for each candidate will be reported at the time the program sponsor recommends the candidate to the CCTC for the Preliminary Credential.

5. Can records of the TPA be preserved on computer only, or do hard copies of the material be preserved as well?

The format of preservation of records is a local program decision.

6. Will the TPA be a required element of the Title II Report? And if not, why is it different from CBEST and Subject Matter? How will the TPA figure into the definition of a Title II program completer?

The TPA will not be included as a required element of the Title II report at this time.

7. Will there be an alternative to passing the TPA rather than at the institution where the program was completed? Will the Commission act as ultimate judge?

The TPA must be taken at the institution where the program is completed. The Commission will not act as the ultimate judge.

8. Will the current Ryan Credential program eventually require a TPA?

The current Ryan credential program will not require a TPA. Ryan credential holders who participate in an Induction program will receive an individual assessment from the program.